

**NOTICE TO INTERESTED PARTIES
REGARDING POTENTIAL EXPANSION OF
THE CITY OF SAN JOSÉ'S
GREENLINE/URBAN GROWTH BOUNDARY (UGB)**

In June 2007 the City Council initiated a comprehensive update of the City's General Plan, Envision San José 2040, with specific direction to not include expansions of the Urban Growth Boundary (UGB) within the work program to be completed by City Staff and the Council-appointed Envision San José 2040 Task Force. Accordingly, the City will not be initiating any such expansions on its own as a part of the General Plan update process, but will consider formal applications for significant modifications to the UGB in accordance with the City of San José Municipal Code Chapter 18.30 (A proposed modification is considered significant if it does not meet the criteria in section 18.30.220 for minor modifications).

Section 18.30.270A states that "Significant modifications of the UGB are strongly discouraged in order to ensure the long term stability of the boundary by directing urban growth to areas of the city that are urbanized or planned for urbanization." Furthermore, the City Council action initiating the General Plan Update included a set of Guiding Principles for the General Plan Update, which closely follow the Major Strategies contained in the San Jose 2020 General Plan, including the Greenline/Urban Growth Boundary which states, "Preserve land that protects water, habitat and agricultural resources and/or offers recreational opportunities, as well as to preserve the scenic backdrop of the hillsides surrounding San José".

Anyone interested in pursuing a significant modification to the UGB, per Municipal Code Chapter 18.30 must file a completed General Plan Amendment application (including environmental clearance application and associated fees) to be considered as part of a comprehensive update of the General Plan. The deadline for filing such applications is 5:00 p.m. on **Friday, March 13, 2009**. Applications are accepted by appointment only.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Michael Brilliot, Senior Planner at 535-7831.

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